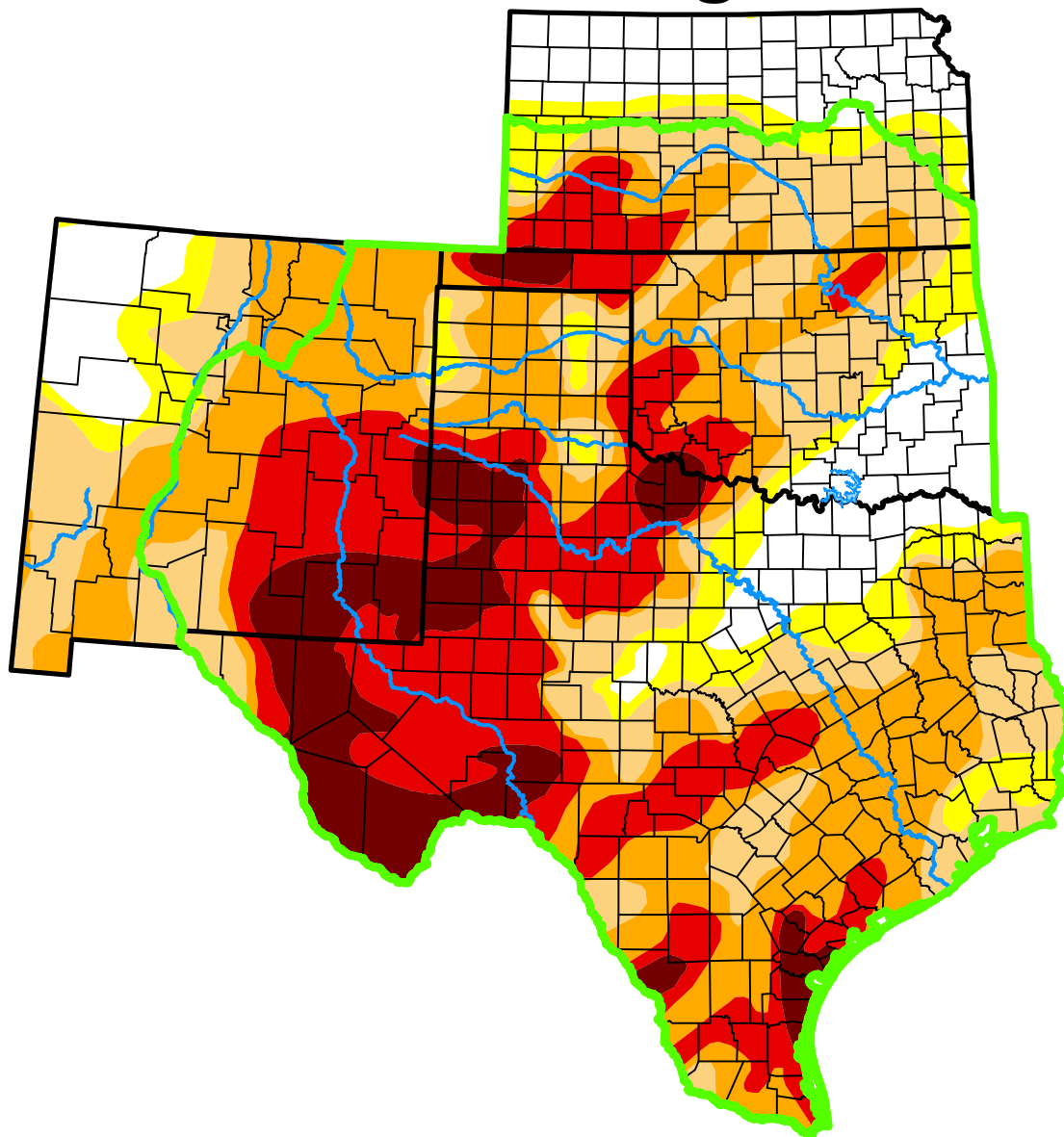


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Southern Plains DEWS

### and Surrounding Areas



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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	7.75	92.25	84.34	63.69	34.93	11.28
<b>Last Week</b> 02-14-2012	7.07	92.93	86.69	69.09	43.71	15.18
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 11-22-2011	0.86	99.14	98.06	92.10	77.39	49.06
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-03-2012	2.88	97.12	93.95	77.55	53.77	22.25
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-27-2011	0.00	100.00	99.98	98.75	88.33	73.18
<b>One Year Ago</b> 02-22-2011	4.68	95.32	67.91	36.45	7.61	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

#### Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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